expenditure in connection with the Flood Relief Operations, and to say what they propose to do with the surplus amount?

**Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.**—The accounts of receipts and expenditure of the Flood Relief Operations required are, it is believed, those of the Central Relief Fund. A statement of receipts and expenditure incurred by the Treasurer of the Fund is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

As to the surplus amount, it is for the Central Relief Committee to decide how it is to be disposed of.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Has the Central Flood Relief Committee come to any conclusion as to what they should do with the surplus fund?

**President.**—The Central Flood Relief Committee has to meet again, after the Report is circulated among the members.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—When did they meet?

**President.**—The Committee will meet and decide as to how it should be disposed of. The Report of the Committee is being prepared and circulated among the members.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—May I know whether there will be any interest for the amount that is now in the treasury?

**President.**—I do not think there will be any.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—I want to know why it could not be deposited in any bank?

**President.**—Nobody has come forward with such a proposal. We are not at all considering about investing the amount on interest.

## Suits for eviction of *Verumpttam* tenants.

26. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of the number of suits filed for eviction of *Verumpattam* tenants (simple lease-holders) in the several courts of the State during the last 10 years?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.**—A statement is appended. (*Vide Appendix V.*)

## The revision of the Civil Procedure Code.

27. **Mr. Chakko Cheruvattur.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) as to when the revision of the Civil Procedure Code was first taken in hand by the Government, and how long has it been under the consideration of the Darbar;

(b) what stage has it reached now; is it likely to be completed in the near future;

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(c) is the Government aware of the great hardship caused to the litigant public of especially the original courts by the non-revision of the same ; if not, will the Government be pleased to make enquiries of the original courts and inform this House the result of such enquiry;

(d) is the Government aware of the advantages accorded to the litigant in British India by the revision of their Civil Procedure Code by Act V of 1908;

(e) has the Government any objection in according the same additional conveniences and advantages to the litigant public of our State as are accorded in British India by the revision of our Code;

(f) is not the Government aware of the material differences from our Code introduced into the revised British Code ?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.**—(a) 1920. It has been under the consideration of the Government till now.

(b) The revision is almost complete, and a Bill is proposed to be introduced in the Legislative Council during this session.

(c) No. No enquiry is necessary in view of the answer to (b) above.

(d), (e) and (f) No answer is called for in view of the answer to (b) above.

## The necessity for a Chitty Regulation.

28. **Mr. Chakko Cheruvattur.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) when the necessity for a Chitty Regulation first came to the notice of the Government;

(b) how long has it been under the consideration of the Government, and what stage has it reached now;

(c) is not the Government aware that a Chitty Regulation was passed in the sister State of Travancore years ago ;

(d) has the Government yet come to the conclusion that it has become a dire necessity in our State to protect the interests of the innocent subscribing public, especially the poor among them, from the clutches and vagaries of scheming *kuri* starters;

(e) does the Government intend passing any law to regulate the conduct of *kuries* in our State ; if so, how long still is it likely to take?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.**—(a) In 1917.

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